

Great Ellingham Parish Council  
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council  
held at the recreation centre on Wednesday 20 March 2019 at 7.30pm

In Attendance: Cllr T Betts (Chairman), Cllr J May, Cllr S Mellor, Cllr N Perkins, Cllr A Partridge, Cllr M Hadley

Parish Clerk Anne Rayner  
District Councillor Bill Smith  
6 members of the public

- 1. Open Forum – An opportunity for any parishioner to speak on parish matters and to hear reports from County and District Councillors, if available** – A member of the public reported that vehicles are still accessing the Flagship site via Hingham Rd and asked if that access point could be blocked off and access be encouraged via Attleborough Rd. There also seems to have been a noticeable increase in traffic along Hingham Rd over the last few months. The question was asked whether there would be any likelihood of the proposed roundabout being installed prior to the housing being built. The Chairman reported that, whilst the Section 106 agreement will confirm that the £500 k donation will be available immediately (as part of the All Saints development agreement) the remaining cost of the roundabout is to be met by Norfolk County Council and they have not given a firm commitment as yet as to when this will be. District Councillor Smith said that he understood a date of 2021 is being proposed for the installation of the roundabout.

A resident reported that he had noticed on a development at Thetford, an area of hardcore, specifically for the parking and standing of construction and delivery vehicles. The Chairman confirmed that Breckland District Council should be including traffic management plans within all of the planned developments, to minimise disruption wherever possible.

A resident asked if there has been any progress regarding the people parking on the green triangle at the top of Church Street. Councillor May confirmed that the matter was raised at a recent SNAP meeting and the beat officer confirmed he would contact the people in question to make them aware that they are committing an offence. With reference to the parking on the Pyghtle, the Chairman has discussed the matter with developer, who has given assurance that this will not happen again.

District Councillor Smith reported that the Breckland District Council 'Dragons Den' grants initiative has been re-instated and a new grants programme for innovative health and well being projects has been announced. The recent approval of 4,000 new homes for Attleborough includes the provisions of two new schools and the Attleborough Link Road.

- 2. To consider apologies for absence** – Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Howe-Li-Rocchi and Banks.
- 3. To receive any declarations of interest in any item on the agenda** – None to report.
- 4. To confirm the minutes of the meeting of 20 February 2019** – The minutes were approved without alteration and signed as correct by the Chairman.

- 5. To report matters arising not on the agenda and hear the Chairman's report** – The Chairman reported that the parish council have been successful in their Parish Partnership bid for the 19 / 20 year. This was in relation to provision of new highways signs, designed by children from the school, to encourage drivers to slow down and to drive considerately.

District and Parish elections are scheduled for 2 May 2019. The election notice is displayed on noticeboards and on the parish council website. Anyone wishing to stand for a role as a parish councillor must ensure that their nomination forms are hand delivered to Breckland District Council before 4pm on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019.

The Chairman attended a recent planning meeting at Attleborough Town Hall. Amongst the points raised were the concern for the villages of Quidenham, the Harlings and Eccles, who will effectively be cut off from access to Attleborough, if the proposed changes to Hargham Rd go ahead. The concerns about additional traffic pressure on Great Ellingham as a result of the Link Road were raised again. The possibility of a physical barrier to traffic of some kind to stop people accessing Great Ellingham from the Stag roundabout on the A11 has been suggested, as drivers do not seem to respect the signs.

The speedwatch team have been out four times over the last month. More volunteers are needed. The qualification to trigger an attendance by the road safety camera team has recently changed and there will now need to be twenty vehicles recorded as speeding in one location before the team will come out.

Carbrooke Parish Council have been in touch as they have lost their free school bus service. The Chairman has indicated he will be happy to share information into how Great Ellingham overturned a similar decision.

Finalising of the legal arrangements regarding the village hall and the allotments are continuing. The Chairman has met with the executive head teacher of the school and the leader of the pre-school with regard to the on-going negotiations.

- 6. Recreation Centre report** – Nothing to report.
- 7. Planning applications considered between meetings: None**
- 8. To hear of planning decisions and other information:**
- a) 3PL/2018/1395/VAR – Misty Dawn, Deopham Rd – Variation of conditions – Approved
  - b) 3PL/2019/0026/HOU – 1 Rookery Cottages – two storey extension – Approved
  - c) 3PL/2018/1584/F – Land north of The Cottage, Town Green – Erection of 2 dwellings – Approved
- 9. To consider planning applications:**
- a) 3PL/2019/0090/F – Hollytree House, 80 Long Street – Revised site layout plan – Following discussion, the parish council agreed there were **no objections** to the amended plans.

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- 10. To agree the date for the Annual Parish Meeting** – Whilst the Annual Parish Meeting is usually held in April, due to the period of purdah in force in the run up to the elections, this year's APM will be held immediately before the May Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, on 15 May.
- 11. To agree to the appointment of an internal auditor for the 2018/19 year** – Councillors agreed that Pauline James be appointed again. The clerk will contact her accordingly and send the relevant appointment letter.
- 12. To review the following policies: Financial Regulations, Statement of Internal Review** – Councillors agreed that no changes were necessary to either policy.
- 13. To receive the financial report and consider the following payments:**  
The financial report, circulated prior to the meeting, was approved. The following payments were unanimously authorised:

Chq no	Amount	Payee	Notes
100577	£ 159.69	A Rayner	March salary
100578	£ 100.20	HMRC	Q4 tax
100579	£ 84.29	A Rayner	Expenses 1/4/18 – 31/3/19
100580	£ 478.40	Came & Co	Insurance
100581	£ 130.00	R Ewin	Allotment rent
100582	£ 130.00	D Ewin	Allotment rent
100583	£ 130.00	C Ewin	Allotment rent
100584	£ 500.00	Gt Ell. Cricket Club	Grant
100585	£ 50.54	Gt Ell. Allotment Society	Bridge repair
100586	£1116.24	S Michlmayr Co Ltd	Clock repair & service
100587	£1090.80	Noticeboard (UK) Ltd	Noticeboard
100588	£ 60.00	B Cobb	Clock winding

- 14. To consider items from Councillors** – Councillor May reported from the recent SNAP meeting that the software providers to the SAM2 devices are testing on models which may have a facility to record the registration numbers of speeding vehicles and generate an automatic letter.
- 15. To consider correspondence** – None to report
- 16. To confirm the date of the next meeting as Wednesday 17 April 2019 to be held at the Recreation Centre commencing at 7.30pm.**

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.05pm.